

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A dry analytical element comprising consisting essentially of a water-impermeable transparent sheet that comprises an analyte storage area of which the surface is rendered hydrophilic, wherein said analyte storage area is a group of concavities, grooves, or projections, further wherein said analyte storage area is capable of holding a 1-100  $\mu$ l liquid specimen, and which contains ~~containing a necessary~~ reagent in a dry state necessary for a designed designated analysis ~~in a dry state coated thereon~~, wherein a specimen liquid specimen containing an analyte develops in whole planar directions in substantially equal volume when it the specimen is supplied on the sheet.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Canceled)
5. (Original) The dry analytical element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the specimen liquid is plasma or serum.
6. (New) The dry analytical element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the water-impermeable sheet has a thickness of 50  $\mu$ m to 1 mm, and the concavities, grooves, or projections are formed on the sheet.